

MINUTES

RĀTANA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 10 June 2025

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Ture Tangata Office
Ihipera-Koria Street
Rātana Pa

Present Ms Grace Taiaroa
Mr Jamie Nepia
Mr Charlie Mete
HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa

In attendance Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor
Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer

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1 Whakamoemiti

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.27pm and Mr Nepia spoke the whakamoemiti.

2 Apologies

The apologies were received from Ms Hamahona.

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There were no changes to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Amendments:

- Rata Road be updated to Ratana Road at item 7 Follow-up Actions.
- Item 10.2 Update on Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti be updated to reflect that the meeting was cancelled and that a workshop was held.

Matters arising:

The signage needs fixing on Ratana Road.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/011

That the minutes of Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 11 February 2025 **as amended** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr C Mete/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

7 Follow-up Actions

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Ratana Community Board Meetings

Item 1 – Corrosion of the road

Ms Bovey provided an update that this has been flagged with NZTA.

Item 2 – Thrive report

The board requested that the medical hub and gym be confirmed that they are in the report.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/012

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Ratana Community Board Meetings' be received.

Mr J Nepia/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - June 2025

Mr Mete provided updates on the urupa and that there have been two extra berms allowing 40 more plots. There is limited space and the decision to not allow purchasing for the reservation of plots allowed enough for burials. It was noted that the parking for tangi is becoming an issue.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/013

That the Chair's Report – June 2025 be received.

Mr J Nepia/Mr C Mete. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - May 2025

The Mayor highlighted the youth awards and the amazing rangatahi in the district, that some of these students are completing water testing at Winata Marae the first in the country.

The Mayor noted that there are elections coming up and this includes the Ratana Community Board.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/014

That the Mayor's Report – May 2025 be accepted.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried

9.2 Update on Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti

Ms Taiaroa provided an update on the meeting and highlighted the new member Gaylene Nepia replacing Chris Shenton, Local Water Done Well and the neutral position of council for the Māori Wards referendum alongside the election.

Ms Taiaroa provided an update on central government reform, including the RMA and the regulatory standards bill that the Komiti are putting a submission. There were a number of changes coming from central government that are having wide impacts on the Komiti and Council.

Ms Taiaroa provided further information on the Lake Waipu which is currently going through a Hearing process as there have been objectors outside Ratana that are holding this project up.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/015

That the report 'Update on Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti' be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried

9.3 Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment Project - Update

The Mayor noted that there are potentially other options for the disposal of wastewater, such as to Kaitoke. There are also changes to the wastewater standards that may support other options.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/016

That the report 'Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment Project – Update' be received.

Mr C Mete/Cr P Hiroa. Carried

9.4 Cemetery Update - June 2025

The board commented that there may be some paperwork outstanding as there is potentially more burials than listed in the report.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/017

That the report 'Cemetery Update – June 2025' be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried

9.5 Consultation Tracker - May

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/018

That the report 'Consultation Tracker – May' be received.

Mr C Mete/Cr P Hiroa. Carried

9.6 Funding Schemes Update - June 2025

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/RCB/019

That the Funding Schemes Update – June 2025 be received.

Ms G Taiaroa/Mr C Mete. Carried

9.7 Late Item -

Mr Mete had received a call from a resident that the signage on the traffic island pointing towards Ratana and is obstructing the view to see oncoming vehicles. The Mayor undertook to raise this with the regional roading manager.

The meeting closed at 7.39pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ratana Community Board held on 12 August 2025.

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Chairperson